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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 3641

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE THE APPLICATION OF:

Inventor : Mitchell R. Swartz

Serial no. 09/750, 480

Filed: 12/28/00

For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS
TO MONITOR LOADING
USING VIBRATION**

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Examiner: R. Palabrica

May 9, 2004

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
P.O.Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

To Whom it Does Concern:

NOTICE OF APPEAL

1. The Applicant hereby files a notice of appeal to the United States Patent Office Board of Appeals and Patent Interferences from the Examiner's final action: a Final Rejection of the above-entitled application, which was mailed on January 14, 2004 (Exhibit "A", copy is attached hereto). Applicant responded timely in less than two months. The Office has not responded to either the response or the Petition, despite the Examiner's oral statement that this would be addressed.

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2. Because the Office has refused to answer Applicant's statements, Declarations, and Exhibits, Applicant hereby files this Notice of Appeal, and asks the Board to Order the Examiner to demand that the Office permit the Applicant's pleadings reach the Board before the Applicant is required to seek assistance in the federal court system to enforce compliance by the Office with the normal standards of review.

Respectfully submitted,

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[pursuant Section 512 and 37 CFR 1.8(a)]**

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